ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a charging member for charging a surface of a member to be charged in an image-forming apparatus, and one aspect of the present invention provides a charging member having an outermost surface layer containing a conductive elastic material. The conductive elastic material comprises a polymer including a polor polymer, and the poler polymer primarily comprises

(i) acrylonitrile butadiene rubber;

(ii) an ethylene oxide-propylene oxide-allyl glycidyl ether terpolymer; and

(iii) a homopolymer of epichlorohydrin; and

the weights x, y and z of the components (i), (ii) and (iii), respectively, has the relationship represented by the following expressions (1) and (2):

$$0.2 \leq y/(x+y+z) \leq 0.5 \quad (1)$$

$$4 < y/z \leq 20 \quad (2).$$

This charging member can realize uniform charging and is small in resistance variation even when used for a long time.